Remarks

In the Final Office Action mailed October 23, 2003:

- 1. Claims 1-3, 5-11, 13-18 and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,185,620 (Weber) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,304,910 (Roach);
- 2. Claims 4, 12 and 19 were objected to.

The claims have been amended as set forth above.

I. <u>Selected Claims</u>

1. Claims 1-6

Claim 1 was amended to incorporate subject matter of claim 19, which was objected to.

Claims 4 and 5 were amended to eliminate extraneous punctuation.

2. Claim 7

Claim 7 was amended to incorporate subject matter of claim 19, which was objected to, and to reflect the apparatus of claim 1.

3. Claims 8-20

Claim 8 was amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 12, which was objected to, and claim 11, from which claim 12 depends.

CONCLUSION

No new matter has been added with the preceding amendments. It is submitted that the application is in suitable condition for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested. If prosecution of this application may be facilitated through a telephone interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's attorney identified below.

Respectfully submitted,

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